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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (TOLBERT, W.R.)

SUBJECT: TOLBERT STATE VISIT TO U.S.

REF: (A) MONROVIA 5241, (B) STATE 185352, (C) GENEVA 6102

GENEVA PASS AMBASSADOR CARTER

1. ASSUME REF B DRAFTED PRIOR RECEIPT REF A. DIFFERENT ARRIVAL POINTS GIVEN THOSE TWO MESSAGES POINTS UP PROBLEM WE ANTICIPATED IN HAVING SCHEDULE DISCUSSED BOTH IN WASHINGTON AND MONROVIA. SINCE IT CLEAR THAT ALL SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF VISIT MUST BE CLEARED WITH PRESIDENT, SUGGEST MONROVIA CORE GROUP REMAIN FOCAL POINT FOR PLANNING DISCUSSIONS. OUR COMMUNICATIONS CERTAINLY MORE RELIABLE THAN GOL'S, AND IT EASIER FOR US TO GET WASHINGTON CLEARANCE FOR CHANGES AND SUGGESTIONS THAN FOR GOL EMBASSY THERE GET MONROVIA CLEARANCE.

2. FYI: CORE GROUP DISCUSSIONS HAVE REVEALED INTERESTING INTERPLAY BETWEEN GOL PRINCIPALS, EACH OF WHOM HAS OWN IDEAS ABOUT TRIP. DENNIS SUGGESTION TOLBERT ARRIVE BALTIMORE AND VISIT CITY SEPTEMBER 21 IS REFLECTION ONE POSITION RAISED IN CORE GROUP DISCUSSIONS. GOL HAS MADE IT CLEAR TOLBRT WILL ARRIVE WHERE USG DESIRES. AS INDICATED REF A, ARRIVAL AT LANGLEY AFB OR AIRPORT NEAR WILLIAMSBURG WAS SUGGESTED BY EMBASSY TO SAVE
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TIME OF PRESIDENT. GOL HAS ASKED PAN AM FOR PRICE QUOTE FOR

ARRIVAL THERE (WHICH SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS MORE THAN
ARRIVAL NEW YORK).NWE STILL AWAITING DEPARTMENT'S
CONFIRMATION THIS ARRIVAL POINT APPROPRIATE, BUT PRESIDENT
PLEASED WITH IT.

3. JUST RECEIVED REF C. NO RPT NO SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS IN
MONROVIA HAVE ALTERED SITUATION UPON WHICH AMBASSADOR CARTER
COMMENTS.
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